

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1-13. (Cancelled)

14. (Allowed, Currently Amended) A The method of claim 3,  
inducing cellular extensions, which method comprises contacting nerve cells with a  
human Neural Plakophilin Related Armadillo Protein (hNPRAp) in an amount  
effective to cause cellular extensions, wherein the hNPRAp comprises an amino  
acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:4 wherein the cells are nerve cells.

15. (Currently amended) The method of claim 3 14, wherein the  
cellular extensions terminate upon distantly located cells.

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